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I have the honour to refer to the statement issued by the President of the Security Council on 30 April 1994 (S/PRST/1994/21) in which the Council, inter alia, requested me, in consultation with the Secretary-General of the Organization of African Unity (OAU), to report further on action which may be undertaken with a view to assisting in the restoration of law and order in Rwanda and in providing security for displaced persons.

On 30 April, before leaving on my official tour abroad, I personally spoke to His Excellency President Hosni Mubarak, Chairman in Office of OAU, about the matter. I have also addressed messages to him as well as to the Secretary-General of OAU and to leaders of a number of African countries who have contributed troops to existing or previous United Nations military operations, requesting them to consider in what way they could assist in the restoration of law and order in Rwanda and, in particular, whether they could contribute troops to a regional effort to that end. I have conveyed to them that I would be prepared to make appropriate recommendations to the Security Council in the light of their responses in order that the United Nations may examine in what way the Organization can help the efforts of the countries of the region.

I should be grateful if you would bring this matter to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

(Signed) Boutros BOUTROS-GHALI